SUBJECTS.

161. *Certain indispensable needs of Alleppey.*

Mr. E. J. Cheriyan Kunju represented the following indispensable needs of Alleppey :—

(1) construction of a bridge at Chungom and the completion of the Palace bridge :

(2) provision of one or two boat basins to admit of at least 150 kettuvallams :

(3) steam boat service between Kottayam and Alleppey, in consideration of the risk to life that would otherwise occur : and

(4) the restoration of the town dispensary closed of late.

Dewan's reply.—(1) The Chief Engineer expects to complete the Chungom bridge within the year.

In regard to the Palace bridge, the work seems to have been completed but the approaches require making up. An estimate for this has been called for, which will be considered when received.

(2) The Wadai canal has been sanctioned. It is hoped that that will to some extent relieve the congestion complained of by the member. Government are not prepared to construct more boat basins.

(3) If any Company comes forward with a definite proposal, Government can consider it. But Government cannot commit themselves to any view.

(4) On the unanimous report of the Darbar Physician and the Peishkar of the Division, the dispensary was abolished as unnecessary. Government adhere to that view.

162. *The Alleppey pier and bridge at Chungom.*

Mr. P. John represented the dangerous condition of the Alleppey pier and also asked for a third bridge at Chungom.

Dewan's reply.—A revised estimate for the construction of a new pier has been called for. The approximate estimate for the work amounts to four lakhs of rupees. The detailed estimate when it comes will probably exceed the original amount. It is awaited. Government think that the two bridges already sanctioned should suffice.

The Assembly adjourned at 1-50 P. M. and met again at 3 P. M.

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163. *Roads.*

Mr. M. Parameswaran Pillai urged the necessity for roads in the Taluk.

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